continued terrorist attack in the line of control sponsored by Pakistan terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) A few terrorists attacks have been reported in the border areas of Jammu and Kashmir. The overall level of terrorist violence has, however, come down significantly in the State.

(b) The Government has, in its interaction with Pakistan at all levels, continuously stressed the fact that Pakistan has so far not taken any significant action to dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism, such as communications, launching pads, training camps, funding, etc.

Government is monitoring the situation very closely, and has made it clear to Pakistan that the premise on which the present dialogue process is based is the commitment of January 6, 2004 by Pakistan not to permit any territory under Pakistan's control to be used to support terrorism in any manner. In the Joint Statement made during that visit of President Musharraf on April 18, 2005, both countries reaffirmed the commitments made in the Joint Press Statement of January 6, 2004.

(c) Pakistan has denied the existence of terrorist training camps in Pakistan and of Pak involvement in terrorist attacks in India.

Scrapping of FCRA

2404. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Foreign Contribution Regulation Act is an archaic legislation, which is causing great hardships not only to organizers of International conference in India who are required to obtain prior permission from the Government for holding conference but also to research students who require approval for their projects; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to scrap this Act and if so, by-when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The Government is considering certain changes in the law governing the receipt and utilization of foreign contribution by voluntary organizations to remove shortcomings noticed in the present law.

The draft Bill named 'Foreign Contribution (Management and Control) Bill, 2005', as was presented to the Cabinet, has been uploaded on the Ministry of Home Affairs' website: *www. mha. nic. in* for seeking comments/views of different stakeholders. This may be visited to see the salient features of the proposed legislation.

The proposed Bill has been referred to the Group of Ministers by the Cabinet on 23.6.2005.

Delay in implementation of Cr. P.C. Amendment Act

2405. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for Government's decision to defer implementation of Cr. P.C. Amendment Act, 2005, which received the assent of the President; and

(b) what are the objections raised by Bar Council of India and the legal fraternity on the Amendment Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Representations have been received from various Lawyers Associations including the Bar Council of India objecting to certain provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2005. Therefore, before giving effect to the Act, their grievances need to be addressed. The Bar Council of India and the legal fraternity's main objection pertain to amendment to sections 20, 348, 377, 389 and 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure,1973, insertion of new sections 25A, 54A 144A and 291A in the Code and insertion of new section 229A in the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

Cases of Human Rights violation with NHRC

†2406. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT:
SHRI LEKHRAJ BACHANI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received by the National Human Rights

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.